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Examiner: Applicant(s): Gary E. Harman I. Marx Serial No. 09/927,966 Art Unit: Cnfrm. No.: 6010 1651 Filed August 10, 2001 PROMOTING DEEPER ROOT For RECEIVED DEVELOPMENT, REDUCING NITROGEN FERTILIZER USAGE, IMPARTING NOV 1 8 2003 DROUGHT RESISTANCE, AND INCREASING) TOLERANCE TO ADVERSE SOIL TECH UENTER 1000/2300 **CONDITIONS IN PLANTS**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the May 7, 2003, office action, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.